|  | Application No.   | Applicant(s)    |
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| Notice of Allowability   | 09/480,731  | GIORDANO ET AL. |
|  | Examiner  | Art Unit        |
|  | Michael Cuff  | 3627            |
| The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS. This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.   |   |                 |
| 1. X This communication is responsive to <u>1/3/05</u> .   |   |                 |
| 2. The allowed claim(s) is/are <u>22-25,28-32,35-37,39,40 and 42-51</u> .  |   |                 |
| 3.  The drawings filed on <u>06 June 2002</u> are accepted by the Examiner.  |   |                 |
| <ul> <li>4. Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).</li> <li>a) All b) Some* c) None of the:</li> <li>1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.</li> <li>2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No.</li> <li>3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).</li> <li>* Certified copies not received:</li> </ul>   |   |                 |
| Applicant has THREE MONTHS FROM THE "MAILING DATE" of this communication to file a reply complying with the requirements noted below. Failure to timely comply will result in ABANDONMENT of this application.  THIS THREE-MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE.   |   |                 |
| 5. A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.   |   |                 |
| <ul> <li>6. CORRECTED DRAWINGS ( as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.</li> <li>(a) including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review ( PTO-948) attached</li> <li>1) hereto or 2) to Paper No./Mail Date</li> <li>(b) including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date</li> <li>Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).</li> </ul> |   |                 |
| 7. DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.  |   |                 |
| Attachment(s)  1. ☑ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)  2. ☐ Notice of Draftperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)  3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08 Paper No./Mail Date  4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material  | 6. ☐ Interview Summar<br>Paper No./Mail Da<br>B), 7. ☐ Examiner's Amend | ate .           |



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## **DETAILED ACTION**

## Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 22-25,28-32,35-37,39,40 and 42-51 are allowed.

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

The independent claims recite a very specific combination of steps to help facilitate electronic product ordering. There are many items, which must be in the user profile. A "cookie" is used to determine the user. This is specific data, which must be included in a new order. There must be an acknowledgement from the prescription distribution center with specific data. The acknowledgement has additional data added to it and is then transmitted to the user. An invoice is also generated to a medical insurance carrier.

The previously cited references of Kenny, Schena, Wallace and Suzuki do not teach all of these elements and it would be hindsight to combine many more references to meet all the limitations.

Mayaud et al. is a foreign reference, which teaches a prescription management system, but does not meet the full combination of the claimed invention.

Morrison et al. is a non-patent reference, which discusses some new companies and their new methods of creating online revenue. Several of the companies are online pharmacies, but they do not meet the full combination of the claimed invention.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably

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accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

## Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Michael Cuff whose telephone number is (571) 272-6778. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:00 to 5:30.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Robert Olszewski can be reached on (571) 272-6788. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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